

INDIANA BLACKSMITHING ASSOCIATION

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR - GUIDELINES

Qualifications:

- The application for Rookie of the Year must be returned to the chairperson of the Rookie of the Year Committee no later than April 1st.
- The candidate must be a member in good standing and must be nominated by one of the satellite groups or have a petition signed by five members of the IBA in good standing.
- The candidate must have been blacksmithing for three years or less at the time of the application.
- The candidate must submit at least two articles demonstrating their workmanship. They will be evaluated by the judges and sold at the conference auction. The proceeds from the auction will go toward the Educational Fund. The candidate may submit more than two items if they wish. If more than two items are submitted, they will need to indicate which items are to be sold. The items to be judged on workmanship should be at the conference and presented to the auction coordinator not later than 10am on Saturday.
- The panel of judges will consist of five IBA members. They will include: the chairperson of the Rookie of the Year Committee, the Education chairperson, two IBA members appointed by the chairman and approved by the board, as well as the current Rookie of the Year.
- Announcement of the winner will be made at the Saturday evening auction.
- The Rookie of the Year Winner will receive a plaque or trophy, a hat indicating they are Rookie of the Year, a choice of scholarship to a blacksmithing school, and items from the IBA store as determined by the committee.

Send completed forms to:

Harold L. Wineinger,
Chairperson of the Rookie of the Year Committee
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Crothersville, IN 47229